seamen serving in the U.S. merchant marine. All meetings will be open to the public.

DATES: MERPAC will meet on Tuesday, March 27, 2001, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Wednesday, March 28, 2001, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. These meetings may adjourn early if all business is finished. Requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 7, 2001. Written material and requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee or subcommittee should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 7, 2001.

ADDRESSES: MERPAC will meet on both days at the RTM STAR Center, 2 West Dixie Highway, Dania Beach, FL 33004. Further directions regarding the location of the RTM STAR Center may be obtained by contacting Ms. Cathy Servideo at (954) 920–3222, extension 7270. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Commander Brian J. Peter, Commandant (G–MSO–1), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593–0001. This notice is available on the Internet at http://dms.dot.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on this notice, contact Commander Brian J. Peter, Executive Director of MERPAC, or Mr. Mark C. Gould, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone 202–267–0229, fax 202–267–4570, or e-mail mgould@comdt.uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agenda of March 27, 2001 Meeting: The full committee will meet to discuss the objectives for the meeting. The committee will then break up into the following working groups: Task Statement 24, concerning recommendations on a program to revise the testing for advancement of deck officers to conform to the STCW; Task Statement 25, concerning recommendations on a program to revise the testing for advancement of engineering officers with unlimited horsepower licenses to conform to the STCW; and, Task Statement 26, concerning recommendations on a program to revise the testing for advancement of engineering officers with limited horsepower licenses to conform to the STCW. New working groups may be formed to address any new issues or tasks. At the end of the day, the working groups will make a report to the full committee on what has been accomplished in their meetings.

No action will be taken on these reports on this date.

Agenda of March 28, 2001, Meeting: The agenda includes the following:

- (1) Introduction.
- (2) Oath of Office to New Member and Re-appointed Members.
 - (3) Working Group Reports:
- (a) Task Statement 24, concerning recommendations on a program to revise the testing for advancement of deck officers to conform to the STCW
- (b) Task Statement 25, concerning recommendations on a program to revise the testing for advancement of engineering officers with unlimited horsepower licenses to conform to the STCW
- (c) Task Statement 26, concerning recommendations on a program to revise the testing for advancement of engineering officers with limited horsepower licenses to conform to the STCW
 - (4) Other items to be discussed:
- (a) Standing Committee—Prevention Through People
- (b) Other items brought up for discussion by the committee or the public

Procedural

Both meetings are open to the public. Please note that the meetings may adjourn early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meetings. If you would like to make an oral presentation at a meeting, please notify the Executive Director no later than March 7, 2001. Written material for distribution at a meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than March 7, 2001. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee or subcommittee in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Executive Director no later than March 7, 2001.

Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: February 12, 2001.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[USCG-2001-8895]

Towing Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Towing Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC), its working groups on Licensing Implementation, Fire Suppression, Casualty Analysis, and Voyage Planning will meet as required to discuss various issues relating to shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety. All meetings will be open to the public. **DATES:** TSAC will meet on Thursday, March 15, 2001, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The working groups will meet on Wednesday, March 14, 2001, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. These meetings may close early if all business is finished. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 1, 2001. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the Committee or working groups should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 1, 2001.

ADDRESSES: TSAC will meet in room 2415, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC. The working groups will begin in the same room and may move to separate spaces designated at that time. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Mr. Gerald P. Miante, Commandant (G–MSO–1), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593–0001. This notice is available on the Internet at http://dms.dot.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gerald P. Miante, Assistant Executive Director, telephone 202–267–0229, fax 202–267–4570, or e-mail at: gmiante@comdt.uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agenda of Meetings

The agenda tentatively includes the following:

- (1) Report of the License Implementation Work Group.
- (2) Status report on the International Maritime Information Safety System (IMISS).
- (3) Status Report on the Automatic Identification System (AIS).
- (4) Status report of the rulemaking on Licensing and Manning of Towing Vessels.

- (5) Status report of the Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) on License Implementation.
- (6) Status report of the rulemaking on Fire-Suppression Systems and Voyage Planning for Towing Vessels.
- (7) Status report of the R&D studies on Mariner Alertness.
- (8) Report on recently compiled data and analyses for the towing industry.
- (9) Introduction of the "Črew Alertness Campaign."

Procedural

All meetings are open to the public. Please note that the meetings may close early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meetings. If you would like to make an oral presentation at a meeting, please notify the Executive Director no later than March 1, 2001. Written material for distribution at a meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than March 1, 2001. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee or subcommittee in advance of a meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Assistant Executive Director no later than March 1, 2001.

Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the Assistant Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: February 12, 2001.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration [Summary Notice No. PE-2001-11]

Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for exemption received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for exemption part 11 of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR), this notice contains a summary of certain

petitions seeking relief from specified requirements of 14 CFR, dispositions of certain petitions previously received, and corrections. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before March 13, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition to the Docket Management System, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001. You must identify the docket number FAA–2000–XXXX at the beginning of your comments. If you wish to receive confirmation that FAA received your comments, include a self-addressed, stamped postcard.

You may also submit comments through the Internet to http://dms.dot.gov. You may review the public docket containing the petition, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Dockets Office (telephone 1–800–647–5527) is on the plaza level of the NASSIF Building at the Department of Transportation at the above address. Also, you may review public dockets on the Internet at http://dms.dot.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Forest Rawls (202) 267–8033, or Vanessa Wilkins (202) 267–8029, Office of Rulemaking (ARM–1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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Issued in Washington, DC, on February 15, 2001.

Donald P. Byrne,

Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulations.

Petitions for Exemption

Docket No.: FAA–2000–7985. Petitioner: Ross Aviation, Inc. Section of 14 CFR Affected: 14 CFR 119.65(a).

Description of Relief Sought: To permit Ross' Director of Maintenance and Chief Inspector to qualify as full-time employees, even though these individuals also serve in these capacities under Air Agency Certificate ROSR023B.

Docket No.: FAA–2000–8472. Petitioner: Era Aviation, Inc. Section of 14 CFR Affected: 14 CFR 121.643(a)(2) and (3).

Description of Relief Sought: To allow ERA to operate its DHC–6 airplane under the visual flight rule fuel supply requirements of § 135.209, rather than the fuel supply requirements of § 121.643.

Docket No.: FAA-2000-8580. Petitioner: Fairchild Dornier. Section of 14 CFR Affected: 14 CFR 25.562(b)(2).

Description of Relief Sought: To exempt FD from the floor warpage testing requirements of § 25.562(b)(2) for flight crew seats on the 728–100 model aircraft.

Dispositions of Petitions

Docket No.: FAA-2001-8693. Petitioner: Beverly Air Transport. Section of 14 CFR Affected: 14 CFR 135.143(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit BAT to operate certain aircraft under part 135 without a TSO-C112 (Mode S) transponder installed in the aircraft.

Grant, 02/08/2001, Exemption No. 7440

Docket No.: FAA–2001–8685.

Petitioner: Advantage Air Charter
LLC.

Section of 14 CFR Affected: 14 CFR 135.143(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit AAC to operate certain aircraft under par 135 without a TSO-C112 (Mode S) transponder installed in the aircraft.

Grant, 02/08/2001, Exemption No. 7441 [FR Doc. 01–4275 Filed 2–20–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–M

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration [Summary Notice No. PE-2001-12]

Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for exemption received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for exemption part 11 of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR), this notice contains a summary of certain